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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notification of a Public Teleconference of the

Chartered Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Science Advisory Board (SAB) Staff Office announces a public teleconference of the Chartered Clean Air Scientific Advisory Committee (CASAC) to conduct quality reviews of draft CASAC reports on EPA's Recommendation for an additional Federal Reference Method for Ozone and on EPA's Integrated Review Plan for the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide.

**DATES:** The teleconference will be held on Wednesday, July 16, 2014 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (Eastern Time).

**LOCATION:** The public teleconference will be conducted by telephone only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Any member of the public wishing to obtain information concerning the public teleconference may contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), via telephone at (202) 564-2050 or at

<u>yeow.aaron@epa.gov</u>. General information about the CASAC, as well as any updates concerning the meeting announced in this notice, may be found on the EPA website at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/casac">http://www.epa.gov/casac</a>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CASAC was established pursuant to the Clean Air Act (CAA) Amendments of 1977, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7409(d)(2), to review air quality criteria and NAAQS and recommend any new NAAQS and revisions of existing criteria and NAAQS as may be appropriate. The CASAC shall also provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Administrator on the scientific and technical aspects of issues related to the criteria for air quality standards, research related to air quality, sources of air pollution, and of adverse effects which may result from various strategies to attain and maintain air quality standards. The CASAC is a Federal Advisory Committee chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C., App. 2. Pursuant to FACA and EPA policy, notice is hereby given that the Chartered CASAC will hold a public teleconference to conduct quality reviews of draft CASAC reports on EPA's Recommendation for an Additional Federal Reference Method for Ozone and on EPA's Integrated Review Plan for the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide.

The CASAC quality review process ensures that all draft reports developed by CASAC panels, committees or workgroups are reviewed and approved by the Chartered CASAC before being finalized and transmitted to the EPA Administrator. These reviews are conducted in a public meeting or teleconference as required by FACA.

The EPA is proposing the addition of the Nitric Oxide (NO)-Chemiluminescence method as an additional Federal Reference Method (FRM) for ozone. The CASAC Air Monitoring and Methods Subcommittee (AMMS) reviewed the scientific and technical aspects of a draft document that supports the EPA's recommendation to add the NO-Chemiluminescence method as an FRM and developed the draft report "Review of EPAs Recommendation for an Additional Federal Reference Method for Ozone-Nitric Oxide-Chemiluminescence". The Chartered CASAC will conduct a quality review of this draft CASAC report. Background information about this advisory activity can be found on the CASAC website at

http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\_activites/O3%20FRM%3A%20NO-Chemiluminescence?OpenDocument.

The EPA's Integrated Review Plan for the Primary NAAQS for Sulfur Dioxide (External Review Draft – March 2014) presents the planned approach for the review of the primary (health-based) NAAQS for sulfur oxides. The CASAC Augmented for Sulfur Oxides Panel reviewed this document and developed the report "Draft CASAC Review of the EPA's Integrated Review Plan for the Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Sulfur Dioxide." The Chartered CASAC will conduct a quality review of this draft CASAC report. Background information about this advisory activity can be found on the CASAC website at

http://yosemite.epa.gov/sab/sabproduct.nsf/fedrgstr\_activites/SO2%20Primary%20NAA QS%20Review?OpenDocument.

**Availability of Meeting Materials:** Prior to the meeting, the review documents, agenda and other materials will be accessible through the calendar link on the blue navigation bar at <a href="http://www.epa.gov/casac/">http://www.epa.gov/casac/</a>.

**Procedures for Providing Public Input:** Public comment for consideration by EPA's federal advisory committees and panels has a different purpose from public comment provided to EPA program offices. Therefore, the process for submitting comments to a federal advisory committee is different from the process used to submit comments to an EPA program office.

Federal advisory committees and panels, including scientific advisory committees, provide independent advice to EPA. Members of the public can submit comments for a federal advisory committee to consider as it develops advice for EPA. Interested members of the public may submit relevant written or oral information on the topic of this advisory activity, and/or the group conducting the activity, for the CASAC to consider during the advisory process. Input from the public to the CASAC will have the most impact if it provides specific scientific or technical information or analysis for CASAC panels to consider or if it relates to the clarity or accuracy of the technical information. Members of the public wishing to provide comment should contact the DFO directly.

<u>Oral Statements</u>: In general, individuals or groups requesting an oral presentation on a public teleconference will be limited to three minutes. Each person making an oral

statement should consider providing written comments as well as their oral statement so that the points presented orally can be expanded upon in writing. Interested parties should contact Mr. Aaron Yeow, DFO, in writing (preferably via e-mail) at the contact information noted above by July 9, 2014 to be placed on the list of public speakers. Written Statements: Written statements should be supplied to the DFO via email at the contact information noted above by July 9, 2014 so that the information may be made available to the Panel members for their consideration. Written statements should be supplied in one of the following electronic formats: Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or Rich Text files in IBM-PC/Windows 98/2000/XP format. It is the SAB Staff Office general policy to post written comments on the webpage for the advisory meeting or teleconference. Submitters are requested to provide an unsigned version of each document because the SAB Staff Office does not publish documents with signatures on its websites. Members of the public should be aware that their personal contact information, if included in any written comments, may be posted to the CASAC website. Copyrighted material will not be posted without explicit permission of the copyright holder.

Accessibility: For information on access or services for individuals with disabilities, please contact Mr. Aaron Yeow at (202) 564-2050 or <a href="mailto:yeow.aaron@epa.gov">yeow.aaron@epa.gov</a>. To request accommodation of a disability, please contact Mr. Yeow preferably at least ten days prior to each meeting to give EPA as much time as possible to process your request.

Dated: June 11, 2014. Thomas H. Brennan,

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EPA Science Advisory Staff Office.

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